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For: TRANSMISSION METHOD AND TRANSMISSION SYSTEM AS WELL AS  
COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of 65 pages
- 15 sheet(s) of FORMAL drawings
- An assignment of the invention - \$40.00 Recording Fee
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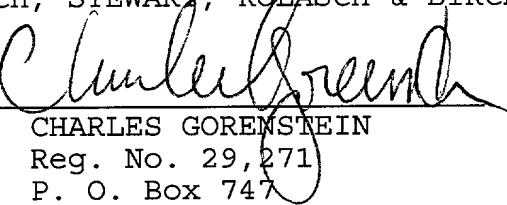
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